



LIFE ZONES AT RED ROCK

How would you like to travel from Mexico to the Arctic and not leave Red Rock Canyon? As you drive around the Scenic Drive, you will change elevation (the height above sea level). The temperature will be about 3-5 degrees cooler for each 1000 feet you climb. You may not think of these changes as much, but for plants and animals it is. Each type of plant and animal can only tolerate a certain amount of coolness and dryness. For each 1000 feet you climb, it's like traveling 60 miles to see new types of plants. Pine Creek is an exception to this rule. Find out why.

